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SUBJECT: CIVAIR: PHILIPPINE AIRLINES FUEL PROBLEM

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1. ACCORDING INFORMATION FROM OIL COMPANIES AND PANAM, PAL HAS NOW BEEN GIVEN ALLOCATION OF 250,000 GALS AVIATION FUEL AT GUAM (FROM MOBIL) FOR MONTH OF DECEMBER, ENOUGH TO MEET MINIMUM NEEDS. WE NOT SURE OF OUTLOOK FOR JANUARY AND FIRST QUARTER OF 1974.

2. SERIOUS PROBLEM REMAINS OF FUEL SUPPLY AT HONOLULU AND SAN FRANCISCO, AND WE UNDERSTAND PAL HAS APPLIED FOR SPECIAL HARD-SHIP CONSIDERATION. PHIL CAB CHAIRMAN AND TOURISM SECRETARY ASPIRAS CALLED IN PANAM AND NWA MANAGERS DEC 7 TO RELAY REQUEST FROM PRESIDENT MARCOS THAT US CARRIERS ASSIST IN MAKING FUEL AVAILABLE TO PAL AT HONOLULU AND POSSIBLY SAN FRANCISCO AS WELL. ASPIRAS SAID THAT ON BASIS OF RECIPROCITY GOP WOULD GUARANTEE FUEL SUPPLIES TO PANAM AND NWA IN PHILIPPINES.

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3. US AIRLINE REPS REPORTED APPROACH TO THEIR HEAD OFFICES.

RESPONSE FROM PANAM HQ QUOTES IATA REQUEST TO HEADS OF GOVERNMENT
ON AVIATION FUEL QUESTION AND USG STATEMENTS ON REDUCED
AVAILABILITIES OF FUEL INCLUDING 15 PERCENT CUTBACK EFFECTIVE
JANUARY 7. PANAM HQ EXPRESSES HOPE GOP WILL UNDERSTAND THAT PANAM
HAS NO INFLUENCE OVER FUEL SITUATION IN US EVEN IF FOREIGN
COUNTRIES MOVE TO RESTRICT ITS SUPPLIES ABROAD. PANAM MANAGER
MACKENZIE IS ATTEMPTING TO PASS RESPONSE TO ASPIRAS IMMEDIATELY.
WE ASSUME SIMILAR RESPONSE WILL BE FORTHCOMING FROM NWA.
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